

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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1 A block sequence compiler for compiling a sequence of
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3 audio and/or video blocks (e.g., audio tracks, MIDI, video clips,
4 animation, etc.) suitable for producing one or more audio and/or
5 video output sequences (i.e., audio, video, or multimedia) each
6 having a duration corresponding to user-prescribed criteria. In
7 a preferred embodiment, a user chooses an audio and/or video
8 source segment from a predefined library and prescribes the
9 duration of an audio and/or video sequence. Prior to depositing
10 each audio and/or video segment in the library, the segment is
11 partitioned into audio and/or video blocks that are identified in
12 a corresponding characteristic data table with characteristics
13 including (1) duration, (2) suitability for being used as a
14 beginning or ending of an audio and/or video sequence, and (3)
15 compatibility with each block. Using this characteristic table
16 and the user-prescribed criteria, i.e., duration, the block
17 sequence compiler generates a plurality of audio and/or video
18 sequences satisfying the user-prescribed criteria which can be
19 reviewed, e.g., played, and/or saved for future use.
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